State/UTs	Energy Requirement (MU) 2001-02	Peak Load (MW) 2001-02
Orissa	14002	2317
West Bengal (excluding DVC)	20885	3859
Sikkim	183	47
Assam	3669	687
Manipur	643	156
Meghalaya	644	134
Nagaland	270	70
Tripura	635	161
Arunachal Pradesh	216	73
Mizoram	327	93
A & N Island	148	311
Lakshadweep	28	680
TOTAL ALL INDIA:	529013	85132

Contract signed with the M/s. Duncans North Hydro-power Company for Srinagar Hydro-power Project

†1151. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a contract had been signed on 14th June, 2000 with the M/s. Duncans North Hydro-power Company for the construction of Srinagar Hydro-power project;

(b) whether as per the contract the said company was to start its work from 1st April, 2001;

(c) whether in case of not starting the work this contract will automatically get cancelled;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when, the work is likely to start?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (e) The Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for the 330 MW Srinagar Hydro Electric Power Project in Uttar Pradesh was signed jointly by Government of Uttar Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board with M/s. Duncans North Hydro-power Company Ltd. on August 28, 1998. Only the date of commissioning of the project has been included in the PPA. The project has been accorded techno-economic clearance of Central Electricity Authority on June 14, 2000. As per the techno-economic clearance, the Commercial Operation Dates (COD) of the generating units of the project are as under:

Unit	COD
1st Generating Unit	30.6.2005
2nd Generating Unit	31.7.2005
3rd Generating Unit	31.8.2005
4th Generating Unit	30.9.2005

The project has been transferred to the Government of Uttaranchal after formation of the new State on 9.11.2000. Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited is in the process of transferring all the project related documents to the Government of Uttaranchal. The promoters of the project are yet to achieve financial closure and commence construction activities.

Purchasing of Energy Meters for Rural Electrification

1152. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank, Japan Bank of International Cooperation (JBIC) and other foreign financial institutions/Banks are likely to extend loan to the Indian Government for purchase of energy meters for rural electrification in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the proposals in this regard;

(c) whether Government is considering to purchase electro